

**TECHNISCHE UNIVERSITEIT EINDHOVEN**  
**Faculty of Mathematics and Computer Science**  
**Introduction to Cryptology, Monday 22 January 2018**

Name :

TU/e student number :

Exercise	1	2	3	4	5	6	total
points							

**Notes:** Please hand in this sheet at the end of the exam. You may keep the sheet with the exercises.

This exam consists of 6 exercises. You have from 13:30 – 16:30 to solve them. You can reach 100 points.

Make sure to justify your answers in detail and to give clear arguments. Document all steps, in particular of algorithms; it is not sufficient to state the correct result without the explanation. If the problem requires usage of a particular algorithm other solutions will not be accepted even if they give the correct result.

All answers must be submitted on TU/e letterhead; should you require more sheets ask the proctor. State your name on every sheet.

Do not write in red or with a pencil.

You are not allowed to use any books, notes, or other material.

You are allowed to use a simple, non-programmable calculator without networking abilities. Usage of laptops and cell phones is forbidden.

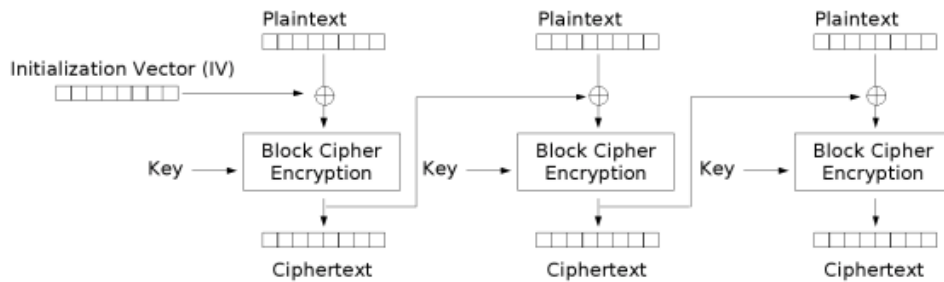


1. This exercise is about LFSRs. Do the following subexercises for the sequence

$$s_{i+5} = s_{i+4} + s_i.$$

- (a) Draw the LFSR corresponding this sequence. 2 points
- (b) State the characteristic polynomial  $f$  and compute its factorization. You do not need to do a Rabin irreducibility test but you do need to argue why a factor is irreducible. 12 points
- (c) For each of the factors of  $f$  compute the order. 8 points
- (d) What is the longest period generated by this LFSR?  
Make sure to justify your answer. 3 points
- (e) State the lengths of all subsequences so that each state of  $n$  bits appears exactly once.  
Make sure to justify your answer. 8 points

2. This exercise is about modes. Here is a schematic description of the CBC (Cipher Block Chaining) mode.



Cipher Block Chaining (CBC) mode encryption

[Picture by White Timberwolf, public domain]

This encryption uses a block cipher of block size  $b$ . Let  $\text{Enc}_k(m)$  denote encryption of a single block  $m$  using this block cipher with key  $k$  and let  $\text{Dec}_k(c)$  denote decryption of a single block  $c$  using the block cipher with key  $k$ . Let  $IV$  be the initialization vector of length  $b$ , let  $m_i$  be the  $b$ -bit strings holding the message and  $c_i$  be the  $b$ -bit strings holding the ciphertexts.

- (a) Describe how encryption and decryption of long messages work, i.e., write  $c_0, c_1$ , and a general  $c_i$  in terms of  $IV, m_0, m_1, m_i$ , and (if necessary) other  $m_j$  and  $c_j$ ; and write  $m_0, m_1$ , and a general  $m_i$  in terms of  $IV, c_0, c_1, c_i$ , and (if necessary) other  $m_j$  and  $c_j$ . 6 points
- (b) Ciphertexts are received with explicit sequence numbers  $(i, c_i)$ . Assume that ciphertext  $c_j$  gets modified in transit. Show which messages get decrypted incorrectly. 4 points
3. This problem is about RSA encryption.
- (a) Alice's public key is  $(n, e) = (13231, 7)$ . Encrypt the message  $m = 234$  to Alice using schoolbook RSA (no padding). 6 points
- (b) Let  $p = 449$  and  $q = 569$ . Compute the public key using  $e = 3$  and the corresponding private key. **Reminder:** The private exponent  $d$  is a positive number. 6 points
4. This problem is about the DH key exchange. The public parameters are that the group is  $(\mathbb{F}_{971}^*, \cdot)$  and that it is generated by  $g = 11$ .
- (a) Compute the public key belonging to the secret key  $b = 18$ . 6 points
- (b) Alice's public key is  $h_a = 473$ . Compute the shared DH key with Alice using  $b$  from the previous part. 8 points
5. The integer  $p = 17$  is prime. You are the eavesdropper and know that Alice and Bob use the Diffie-Hellman key-exchange in  $\mathbb{F}_{17}^*$  with generator  $g = 3$ . Alice's public key is  $h_a = g^a = 11$ . Use the Baby-Step Giant-Step method to compute Alice's private key  $a$ . Verify your result, i.e. compute  $g^a$ . 12 points

6. The ANSI X9.17/X9.31 random number generator (RNG) produces pseudorandom numbers using a block cipher. Outputs are blocks of  $b$  bits, where  $b$  is the block size of the block cipher.

An implementation of this RNG has a secret key  $k$  for the block cipher hard coded in the system and maintains an internal state  $S_i$  that it updates after every output block. A second input to the RNG is a sequence of time stamps  $T_1, T_2, T_3, \dots$ , where each output block uses one of the time stamps and each time stamp is a  $b$ -bit value.

The system starts with an initial state  $S_0$  and the key  $k$ , each having  $b$  bits.

To compute the first output block, the system first computes an intermediate value  $I_1 = \text{Enc}_k(T_1)$  and then computes the first output block  $O_1 = \text{Enc}_k(I_1 \oplus S_0)$ , where as usual  $\oplus$  denotes bitwise xor, i.e., addition in  $\mathbb{F}_2^b$ . Finally, the internal state is updated to  $S_1 = \text{Enc}_k(O_1 \oplus I_1)$ .

In general, to compute the  $i$ -th output block, the system computes the  $i$ -th intermediate value  $I_i = \text{Enc}_k(T_i)$ , the  $i$ -th output block  $O_i = \text{Enc}_k(I_i \oplus S_{i-1})$ , and the  $i$ -th state  $S_i = \text{Enc}_k(O_i \oplus I_i)$ .

- (a) Draw a diagram of the data flow in the ANSI X9.17/X9.31 RNG, showing output values, state, and intermediate values. 4 points
- (b) State the output  $O_1$  in terms of  $T_1, S_0$ , and  $k$ . 2 points
- (c) State the output  $O_i$  in terms of  $T_i, S_{i-1}$ , and  $k$ . 2 points
- (d) Many implementations of ANSI X9.17/X9.31 use the same fixed key  $k$ . The state values  $S_i$  differ per device. Show how to recover  $S_1$  given output  $O_1$ , time stamp  $T_1$  and the key  $k$ . 4 points
- (e) Show how to recover  $S_0$  from  $O_i$ , key  $k$ , and time stamps  $T_1, T_2, T_3, \dots, T_i$ . 3 points
- (f) The previous parts assumes exact knowledge of  $T_1$ . Assume that you have captured  $O_1$  and  $O_2$  at times  $T'_1$  and  $T'_2$  close to  $T_1$  and  $T_2$ . Find a relation between  $O_1, O_2, T_1$ , and  $T_2$ , so that you can test for the correct times by searching around  $T'_i$ . 4 points